MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Nothing is paid over and above the pay of the officer by the Government. But I may state for the information of the member that steamer owners are paying over-time fees for the over-time work done by them out of office hours.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Are the Government keeping accounts?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They are paid by steamer agents at certain fixed rates for work done out of office hours and on holidays. This is the rate: every Inspector is paid one day's pay if it is out of office hours on a working day; on holidays 2 days' pay; and half a rupee per hour during nights and so on. Government do not recognise the payments made by the steamer agents for work done out of office hours.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Am I to understand that the Government do not take account of these payments to a Government officer who works on behalf of a company in spite of the fact that he is paid for by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Government know that they are being paid at this rate; but there is no register or account kept by the Government because it is not a transaction involving expenditure of Government money.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Does it not involve spending their time for which Government are paying them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): They cannot work during office hours. It involves only work out of office hours.

District Hospital, Neyyattinkara.

298. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*): With reference to the District Hospital, Neyyattinkara, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of in-patients and out-patients respectively who were treated during each of the years from the year 1100 up till now (22-5-1105); and

(*b*) whether they are aware that there is an urgent public demand for more space in the hospital and for the opening of a maternity ward?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A statement* is laid on the table.

(*b*) No.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): The answer to part (*b*) is in the negative. May I know whether this negative answer is based on any report from the Inspecting Medical Officer?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether he says that there is ample space in the hospital at present?

* *Vide* Appendix XXXVII—page 810.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): So far as space in the existing ward is concerned, the member himself will be able to find from the statement that while there are 46 beds in the hospital the average number of in-patients for the first five months of this year is only 32·31. What he says is that there is no dearth of space. As regards the maternity ward, he says that there is no necessity for a maternity ward as there is a separate labour room.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : May I know whether this matter was brought before the attention of the Government during the last Session of the Popular Assembly ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I have to take the information from the member himself. I have not got the report before me.

Explanation of Mr. George Philip.

299. **MR. A. THANU PILLAI** (*Trivandrum*) : With reference to the answer given to question No. 157 *re* expenditure on public works pending sanction asked at the meeting of the Council held in Karkatakam 1104 (Pages 445 to 447 of Vol. XV of the Council Proceedings), will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Mr. George Philip has submitted his explanation ;

(*b*) the nature of the explanation ;

(*c*) what orders, if any, have been passed in the matter ;

(*d*) the amount of the reserve fund that was with the Chief Engineer, out of which the expenditure referred to in that question was met ; and

(*e*) the amount of the reserve fund with the Chief Engineer for 1105 ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The explanations tendered by officers are confidential and cannot be disclosed.

(*c*) The matter is being considered by Government.

(*d*) The amount of reserve with the Chief Engineer in the Budget for 1104 was Rs. 25,000. The expenditure in question was not met from this reserve.

(*e*) Rs. 25,000.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : May I know when Mr. George Philip submitted his explanation ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): In April 1930.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : When was the explanation called for ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Before the last Session of the Council.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : I wish to know the date. "Before the last Session of the Council." is a long period.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes. He has reverted to the British service on the 24th April 1930 A. N.

Appendix XXXVI.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 295.**

Statement of applications for the erection of churches during 1929.

	Trivandrum division.	Quilon division.	Kottayam division.	Devicolam division
(*a*) Total number of applications received from each of the Divisions for erecting new churches for Christian worship in the year 1929 ...	15	37	30	1
(*b*) The number of permissions granted for erecting them during the period ..	9	16	22	Nil.

Appendix XXXVII.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 298.**

Statement of inpatients and out-patients in the District Hospital, Neyyattinkara.

Year.	Total number of patients.			Average number of in-patients.	Average number of out-patients.	Total average
	In-patients.	Out-patients. New.	Out-patients. Old.			
1100	395	14,662	14,576	12·62	80 10	92·72
1101	398	17,263	16,320	12·65	91·94	104·59
1102	794	26,147	28,832	19·97	150·63	170 60
1103	978	37,907	35,130	23·42	227·50	250·92
1104	879	32,591	34,492	24·91	183·79	208·7 0
1105 For five months.	403	12,674	15,826	32·31	190·79	223·10

The number of beds now available—46.

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